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**RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 USC 371**

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Responsive to the notification dated December 18, 2006, and in accordance with the provisions of 35 USC 371, Applicants submit herewith a Rule 63 Declaration and a Supplemental Application Data Sheet.

In light of the foregoing, this application is deemed to be in proper condition for examination and such favorable action is earnestly solicited.

Our payment in the amount of \$ 0.00 is paid herewith by credit card. If any difference exists between the amount due and the amount being paid herewith, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 04/24/2006
- Copy of IPE Report filed on 04/24/2006
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 05/23/2006
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- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.

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